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MHA to launch major crackdown on militants operating from Pak, PoJK

ual terrorists include Abdul Hai alias Tahir Bilal son of Ghulam Mohammad Bhat of Sazan Bhagwah, Mohammad Hussain Khateeb son of Abdul Hai Khateeb of Masjid Mohalla, Bhaderwah, Khalid Hussain alias Saifullah son of Abdul Qadoos of Hamdanpur, Majeed Hussain alias Abu Zeahed Mujahid son of Mangta Butt of Manoj Gandoh, Mohammad Shafi alias Nadeem son of Ghulam Mohammad of Trenkal Kahara, Naseer Ahmed alias Babloo son of Ghulam Hussain Thukur R/o Khai Mohalla Bhaderwah, Nazir Ahmed Gujjar alias Abu Manazir son of Lal din Gujjar of Bagla Bharath, Shabir Ahmed Naik alias Shera son of Ghulam Mohammad Naik of Dandal Kastigarh, Atta Mohammad son of Ghulam Nabi R/o Tanta Kahara, Zakir Hussain son of Abdul Rashid R/o Draina Bhalla in Bhaderwah and Abdul Rashid alias Jahangir son of Arshullah Khanday of Khanpura Phagsoo.

"Rest seven active militants would also be declared as individual terrorists and police administration is engaged in preparing dossiers against them including the terror acts executed by the militants here at their behest. Role of these militants has been established with documentary evidence," sources said.

Police and Intelligence agencies have gathered all details about these terrorists including the places they were living in Pakistan and PoJK, the militants they have trained so far, their role in infiltrating militants and pushing arms, ammunition and explosives through drones and other means and luring local youth including their relatives into the militancy.

However, no major terror act has been reported from Doda district, once hub of the militancy, last year, due to alertness and activeness shown by the district police and preemptive actions taken by them.

Similarly, 36 youth from once militancy infested Kishtwar district have been identified as terrorists operating in Pakistan and PoJK including some of those who are active and inciting local

work through mobile phones, internet calls and other modes of communication to take to the arms. However, they have met with no or very little success as local youth were not taking to militancy now.

Mohammad Rafiq of Nar Gursai and Shamsheer Hussain of Gounthal in Poonch district are also set to be declared as "individual terrorists" very soon as they were directly affiliated with Jammu and Kashmir Ghaznavi Force (JKGF) which was recently banned by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs.

Both of them are operating from Pakistan and were instrumental earlier in guiding local youth to take to terror acts including planting of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and grenades in the twin border districts of Poonch and Rajouri.

Fourteen youth from Rajouri and Poonch districts are also operating from Pakistan and police don't rule out the possibility of some of them being behind Dhangri attack in Rajouri district on January 1 this year in which seven civilians from minorities including two minors were killed and over a dozen others were injured.

Though it has almost been confirmed that the killings were executed by two foreign terrorists, sources said it remains to be seen how they selected the target like minority-dominated village, route taken to reach there and escape after the carnage etc.

"The fact that the killers might have been guided by the terrorists from across the border is not ruled out," sources said.

They added that the Home Ministry has asked police to prepare dossiers against the militants who were operating from Pakistan and PoJK for declaring them as individual terrorists to facilitate seizure of their assets, mobile and immobile, and freeze the bank accounts which might have been used for transactions.

"The action is expected to be taken very soon as this will help check terror activities," sources said.

Property Tax shall be implemented in consultation with general public: LG

be implemented in consultation with general public assumed significance as it indicated that the people will be taken into confidence.

The Jammu and Kashmir administration had on Tuesday ordered the imposition of Property Tax in Municipal areas from April 1, drawing strong protests from people from almost all walks of life. Political parties are demanding an immediate rollback of the order.

As per the Government notification, the tax rates will be five per

cent of the taxable annual value for residential properties and six per cent for commercial properties.

The administration has already clarified that Property Tax being imposed in Jammu and Kashmir is one of the lowest in the country and that residential property up to 1000 square feet has been exempted from the purview of tax.

Speaking at a function here yesterday, Sinha criticised those opposing the introduction of Property Tax, saying, "We want every facility but are not ready to pay for anything. People need to rethink this."

People raising "unnecessary hue and cry" over the imposition of Property Tax despite it being the lowest in the country, he had said.

Several contractors, dealers applying for Govt tenders with fake GST returns

work contract service providers by the Drawing and Disbursing Officers through JK Payscale Portal.

Taking serious note of the prevailing situation, the Finance Department has now directed the DDOs that before releasing of payment to the contractor they should verify the latest status of the GSTIN of the contractor by using the information available in Peridot App or through the State Taxes Department in order to ascertain that contractor has not defaulted in GST compliance.

"Payment to such contractor who are not fulfilling statutory obligations under GST Taxation Law should be avoided", the Director General Codes has directed the departments and the DDOs.

Further, all the Administrative Departments have been advised to direct their subordinate officers that before allotting any contract/releasing payment to the contractor, the status of GSTIN of the contractor and authenticity of GST-3B return submitted by the contractor should be verified through the Peridot App or from the State Taxes Department.

Meanwhile, it has come to the notice of the Finance Department that departments while examining time barred claims are not adhering to set norms as per General Financial Rules (GFR) and circular instructions issued by the General Administration Department and Finance Department from time to time.

Accordingly, all the Administrative Departments have been advised to instruct their subordinate officers to desist from submitting such cases which are time barred and follow the instructions in letter and spirit.

Moreover, the Finance Department has directed all the departments to follow the instructions of the Government of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises regarding procurement of goods and services produced and provided by Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs).

Vide circular dated January 11, 2020, the Finance Department had directed every department and Public Sector Undertaking to procure minimum of 20% of the total overall annual procurement of the

Goods or Services from Micro and Small Enterprises.

The instructions were issued on the basis of similar instructions notified by the Ministry of Micro, Small, & Medium Enterprises for procurement through MSMEs vide SO 581 (E) dated 23-03-2012. Moreover, the Union Ministry vide SO. 567(E) dated 9.11.2018 made amendments to the Public Procurement Policy for the Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012.

Now, the Finance Department has directed all the Administrative Departments to strictly follow the instructions while making procurement of Goods and Services. "Every Department or Public Sector Undertaking shall procure a minimum of 25% of the total overall annual procurement of Goods or Services from Micro and Small Enterprises", read the circular.

Moreover, out of the total annual procurement from Micro and Small Enterprises, 3 per cent from within the 25 per cent target shall be earmarked for procurement from Micro and Small Enterprises owned by women, the Government further said.

Resolution at AICC session silent on Art 370

there was no mention of Article 370, the abrogation of which by the BJP Government had divided the Congress

"The people of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh have always stood by the country and its sovereignty. Congress reaffirms that the whole of Jammu & Kashmir is part of India. Owing to the drastic steps taken in August 2019, the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir has been bifurcated summarily," read the draft resolution.

It said the people of all three regions had expressed their deep disappointment and disillusionment with the state of affairs when Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra travelled through the region. "Congress will strive to restore complete statehood for the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, and bring Ladakh and its people under the protection of the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India," it said.

The Congress, meanwhile, said it would restore special category status to the northeastern States, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, and Uttarakhand. "Hilly states face unique developmental challenges, which require additional support. The abolition of 'special category' status which provided this support has been detrimental to the interests of the Northeast, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand. The Congress will restore special category status to the North Eastern States, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand. The Congress also stands committed to extend special category status to the state of Andhra Pradesh," read the draft resolution.

Meanwhile, Congress leader Sonia Gandhi expressed gratification today that her innings could conclude with the "Bharat Jodo Yatra", as the party showered praise on the septagenarian for the achievements after she became its president 25 years ago.

Addressing party leaders and workers at the 85th plenary session of the Congress here, Gandhi congratulated Mallikarjun Kharge as the new party chief and hoped that with his long experience, he would lead the young generation in taking the party forward.

After a video was played at the plenary session on her contributions to the party, Gandhi said she must express her gratitude for all that has been said about her tenure as the Congress president and the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) regimes.

"This also shows how old I have become and now, young people under the leadership of Mallikarjun Kharge must come forward," she said.

The former Congress chief was all praise for Kharge's journey from the grassroots levels to the top party post.

"I had the honour of taking office as the party president for the first time in 1998. Over these 25 years, our party has seen times of high achievement and deep disappointment... Our victory in (the) 2004 and 2009 (Lok Sabha polls), along with the able leadership of (former prime minister) Manmohan Singh, gives me personal satisfaction, but what gratifies me the most is that my innings could conclude with the Bharat Jodo Yatra, which came at a crucial point," she said.

As her comments were interpreted by some as alluding to her retirement from active politics, a senior Congress leader clarified that Gandhi's remarks were in the context of her tenure as the party chief.

All India Congress Committee (AICC) in-charge for Chhattisgarh Kumari Selja also said Gandhi's speech was about the conclusion of her innings as the party president.

Sonia Gandhi was the Congress president from 1998 to 2017, when her son Rahul Gandhi took over. She again assumed the office as the interim Congress president when Rahul Gandhi stepped down in 2019 and was succeeded by Kharge in October last year, soon after the start of the Bharat Jodo Yatra.

In her speech, Sonia Gandhi also congratulated Rahul Gandhi

for providing the leadership and determination in the success of the Bharat Jodo Yatra.

"The yatra has come as a turning point. It has proved that the people of India overwhelmingly want harmony, tolerance and equality. It has renewed the rich legacy of dialogue between our party and the people through mass-contact programmes. It has shown us all that the Congress stands with the people and is ready to fight for them," she said.

"I congratulate all the party workers who worked hard for the yatra. The colleagues, young and old, who took part in it and the lakhs of people of India for their participation, support and affection."

"I specially thank Rahulji, whose determination and leadership proved crucial in the yatra's success," the former Congress chief added.

Meanwhile, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge said his party is willing to forge a viable alternative by aligning with like-minded parties in order to get rid of the "anti-people" BJP Government in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls, and is ready to make any sacrifice required to achieve the goal.

In his address at the Congress' 85th plenary session, Kharge also took a swipe at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, alleging that the "pradhan sevak of Delhi, who gets advertisements printed every day, is serving his own friend".

The Congress chief launched a blistering attack on the BJP-led Government at the Centre, alleging that "the DNA of those sitting in Delhi is anti-poor" and they are attempting to "destroy" democracy. He also called for a people's movement against the prevailing situation in the country.

Hailing party leader Rahul Gandhi for the Bharat Jodo Yatra, Kharge said the Kanyakumari-to-Kashmir march united the country with people from all walks of life coming together.

The yatra emerged as a strong voice against the unprecedented challenges that people face today, Kharge said.

"Such challenges include continuing assault on the Constitutional values, democracy and social fabric of our country, issues of national security at the border with China, the prevailing atmosphere of hatred and fear, all-time high inflation, record unemployment and the increasing economic inequality," he said.

In the prevailing difficult circumstances, the Congress is the only party that can provide capable and decisive leadership to the country, Kharge asserted.

From 2004 to 2014, the Congress-led alliance with like-minded parties effectively served the people of the country, he noted.

"We once again look forward to forging a viable alternative by aligning with like-minded parties to defeat the anti-people and undemocratic BJP Government."

"We are ready to strive for the welfare of the people of our country and (will make) whatever sacrifices that are required," Kharge said.

Kharge also said the goal for the upcoming State elections and the 2024 Lok Sabha polls is clear.

The Congress president's remarks assume significance as they come amid talk of forging Opposition unity. The Congress' vehement criticism of the TMC has drawn a sharp response from the party, signalling cracks in the Opposition ranks.

In his address, Kharge also alleged that the people in power were attacking people's rights and there is a need for a movement against such attempts.

He also raised the slogan of "Seva, sangharsh aur balidan, sabse pehle Hindustan (Service, struggle, sacrifice. The country comes first)".

Kharge also claimed that the BJP is breaking Parliamentary and Constitutional traditions and "mis-using" agencies such as the Enforcement Directorate (ED) and the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for toppling Governments.

Adv Vikram is new president of HC Bar

Court Bar Association, Jammu and Advocate Amit Gupta as new vice president.

As per the results of the election announced after midnight, Parvash

1889 were polled in the election.

According to Senior Advocate MK Bhardwaj, former president of the Bar Association, who acted as Returning Officer, Advocate Senior

165 votes respectively.

Advocate Amit Gupta secured 798 votes for the post of the vice president. The other contenders for the post namely, Adv Monish



New team of J&K High Court Bar Association Jammu posing for group photograph after the results.

Singh Salaria has been elected as new general secretary, Chetan Misri has been elected as new joint secretary and Utarkash Pathania as cashier of Jammu & Kashmir High Court Bar Association.

Against a total of 2193 votes,

Advocate Amit Gupta secured 798 votes for the post of the vice president. The other contenders for the post namely, Adv Monish

Chopra secured 725 votes and Advocate Jasvinder Singh (Jassi) secured 362 votes respectively.

Advocate Parvash Singh Salaria was elected as general secretary by securing 1200 votes. His rival Adv Ajay Bakshi secured 686 votes.

Advocate Chetan Misri emerged as winner for the post of joint secretary by securing 1310 votes whereas Adv Shiv Dev Thakur secured 570 votes.

Advocate Utarkash Pathania who has been elected as cashier of the Bar Association, secured 561 votes against his rivals namely Adv Suhal Bharti who secured 465 votes, Adv Gourav Sharma secured 406 votes and Adv Vikram Singh Sohil 419 secured votes.

5 held with Rs 2.15 cr fake currency

notes along with three cheque books here today

One of the accused, Nazir Ahmed from Barzulla, Srinagar, had earlier spent 6 years in Tihar Jail in a

Mohammad Jabbar of Barzulla, Srinagar; Riyaz Ahmed son of Abdul Gani of Sheikhhar, Pulwama; Mohammad Naimullah son of Mohammad Zaheer-ul-Haq of

mation about some people carrying low-quality Indian currency notes for illegal purposes, a team of Police Station Bahu Fort led by SHO concerned, Inspector Nayat Ali assisted by incharge police post Narwal, SI Lalit Kumar and incharge PP Bathindi, PSI Shakeel and PSI Adarsh Kant, laid a special naka near Kargil Colony, Bathindi area," he said.

At the naka, he further said, police teams rounded up five suspects, who were travelling in a vehicle (HR26CQ-5653).

During search of the vehicle, the police spokesperson added, Rs 5 lakh Indian currency notes along with 3 cheque books and around Rs 2.15 crore low-quality Indian currency notes were recovered from the possession of the accused.

Police have booked the accused in case FIR number 71/2023 under relevant sections of the law registered at police station Bahu Fort and started further investigation.

Pertinently, the overall operation was done under the supervision of SDPO East, Syed Zaheer Abbas Jafari and SP South Mantra Sharma.



Five accused arrested by Police Station Bahu Fort along with fake currency notes.

militancy case registered by Delhi Police, where he came in contact with another accused, Mohammad Naimulla, who is from Delhi. "Their further plans are being investigated," police said.

A police spokesperson said that the accused, Nazir Ahmed son of

Dwarka, Delhi, Manzoor Ahmed son of Ghulam Mohammad of Nishat Srinagar, and Basit son of Ghulam Hussain of Shopian, were arrested acting on specific information received by Police Station Bahu Fort through reliable sources.

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OFFICE THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) ELECTRIC DIVISION JAMMU

SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Short e-NIT No.EDJ/455 of 2022-2023 Dated 22-02-2023

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders are invited on Percentage Basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Name of Division	Estimate Cost (₹ in lacs)	Cost of document (₹)	Earnest Money (₹)	Time Allowed for completion	Time and date of opening of tender	Class of Contract or
1.	Electrification to the One Examination Hall at Sarthian Samba.	PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu	1.85	600/-	3700/-	Linked with Civil works.	01-03-2023 At or after (12:00 A.N)	"A" Class Electrical Contractor
2.	Electrification to the Building for Nari Niketan at Mandi Gurgallian District Samba.	PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu	12.70	600/-	25400/-	Linked with Civil works.	01-03-2023 At or after (12:00 A.N)	"A" Class Electrical Contractor

The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website <http://jktenders.gov.in> as per below schedule.

S. No	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	22-02-2023
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 23-02-2023 to 28-02-2023, 4:00 P.M
3	Bid submission Start Date	23-02-2023
4	Bid Submission End Date	28-02-2023 up to 4:00 P.M
5	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	01-03-2023 at or after 12:00 A.N in the Office of the Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu
6	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of e-challan through Treasury indicating Treasury Voucher No. & date and also indicating the name of work duly crediting to 0059 (Revenue) favouring Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu, uploading a copy of treasury challan/receipt. The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, and relevant documents of LI to be submitted to the Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu, at the time of allotment.
- Bid Security Declaration should be kept in the Bid documents as per tendered.
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 - Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents mentioned in NIT and SBD with technical bid online.

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PWD (R&B) Electric Division
Jammu

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JAMMU:
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RELATIVE HUMIDITY:
RH-I (Morning): 67.0 per cent
RH-II (Evening): 51.0 per cent
Sunset on Sunday: 06.26 p.m.
Sunrise on Monday: 07.03 a.m.

Srinagar:
Generally cloudy
TEMPERATURE:
Max: 18.8 Degree C
Min: 1.6 Degree C

RELATIVE HUMIDITY:
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